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SYDNEY—On May 26, an integrated group of forty forcefully broke a racist ban against the right of Aborigines to enter and drink at an inner-city night-club in the Student Prince Hotel here. Aborigines, trade-union members, community leaders, Maoris, Asians, and students from Sydney University and Traralgh Aboriginal College entered the club as a disciplined and determined group. Three members of the Redfern All-Blacks (a local all-Aborigine rugby club) belted up to the bar and demanded to be served. The other protesters made it clear that the bar would do no more business until they were, whereupon management offered to serve them.

As the victory party unfolded, the protesters spoke to the roughly 100 other patrons on hand (unplugging the jukebox over management protest in order to be heard) and asserted:

“We are here tonight to ensure that everyone—regardless of the colour of their skin—gets served and that the racist exclusion imposed by the Student Prince Hotel management is not repeated.”

Among the speakers were All-Blacks captain Shane Phillips (brother of Tony Phillips, a victim of the hotel’s ban on May 8), two spokesmen of the Spartacist League and carnival organizer Barbara Davis, another Aboriginal victim of the hotel’s ban.

An hour later, after cheers and toasts from hotel patrons, many of whom were Sydney Uni students, the group left in good order. One Aboriginal former building union militant noted with satisfaction: “I’ve always been on the other side...outside the pub. This time I was on the inside, on the winning side.”

This action, modeled on the sit-ins by black students in the American South in the early 1960s to integrate lunch counters personally witnessed six other Aboriginal youths being denied entry that night; one of the victims told us she and some 20 other blacks were excluded within a one-hour period in an earlier incident on April 24. Breaking this disgusting and dangerous racist ban was a small but significant victory for Aborigines and all working people in Australia. The ban at the Student Prince Hotel comes in the context of a decade of Labor Party rule which has brought on a sharp rise in racist hysteria and murderous oppression of Aborigines. In 1987 the rate of black deaths in police custody was already 13 times higher in South Africa. Since that time the jailing of Aborigines in Australia has increased by 25 percent and in New South Wales, whose capital city is Sydney, it has increased by 80 percent. Incidents of police torture and killing of Aboriginal prisoners have increased accordingly.

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Sit-In Breaks Racist Color Bar at Sydney Pub

Townsville, Australia—Integrated strikers of the meat workers fought back against the racist firing of Aboriginal stockman Eddie Alley in February.

The issue became public on May 11 when ABC (Australian Broadcasting Corporation) television aired footage of two young Aboriginal women being excluded by the white bouncers at the door three days earlier. The ABC reporter told Australasian Spartacist that she had personally witnessed six other Aboriginal youths being denied entrance that night; one of the victims told us she and some 20 other blacks were excluded within a one-hour period in an earlier incident on April 24. Breaking this disgusting and dangerous racist ban was a small but significant victory for Aborigines and all working people in Australia.

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Remember the Rosenbergs!

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Nothing significant in signed articles or letters that repeatedly express the editorial viewpoint.
WARSAW, May 29—Less than a year after it took office, the government of Prime Minister Hanna Suchocka, known as the “Iron Lady” of Poland for her Thatcherite austerity policies, was brought down by a vote of no confidence in the Sejm (parliament) yesterday. This is the fourth government in as many years since Lech Walesa’s Solidarność was hounded at the reins of power by the discredited Stalinist bureaucracy in 1989 and launched its “shock therapy” drive to restore capitalism. In response, President Walesa announced that he was dissolving the Sejm and the Suchocka government would rule by decree until new elections in the fall.

Ironically, the latest anti-government motion was initiated by the Solidarność union representatives in the Sejm, militias at Suchocka for refusing to allow wage increases for teachers and other state employees. In desperation, the anti-Communist Suchocka even appealed for support from the Democratic Left Alliance, the largest parliamentary bloc, dominated by the ex-Stalinist Social Democrats (SDKP) and OPZZ trade-union leaders. The born-again Social Democrats were more than willing to play ball with Suchocka, but balked when she refused to cut a deal over a handful of face-saving demands.

The inflating inflationary disarray among the numerous factions which issued out of Solidarność counterrevolution reflects the new bourgeoisie’s incapacity to deal with a virtually uninterrupted wave of workers’ struggles. The Suchocka government was almost brought down twice earlier as a result of strike action, by copper miners and metal workers last spring and coal miners last month. Scarce a day goes by without a strike in some part of the country. A week before the parliamentary vote, a solid transport strike in Warsaw paralyzed the capital for a day. In late April, the ex-Stalinist ZNP teachers union staged a widely supported one-day walkout over wage demands. To maintain some credibility, Solidarność teachers union, one-third as big as the ZNP, then called its own “indefinite” strike two weeks later, with little success after several days of despair to health workers to join in a “general strike” of all workers paid by the state budget.

Three years after Walesa assumed the presidency, sealing the victory of capitalist counterrevolution, the working-class of Poland is experiencing attacks on its living conditions as never before in postwar history. Unemployment now officially averages 14 percent and has risen in some areas to half of the workforce. Abortion, which used to be easily obtainable and affordable, has now been criminalized by a draconian new law. Salaries lag far behind price rises, with inflation running at 40 percent, while many unemployed and pensioners have to pick through garbage cans for food. The government’s plan for wholesale privatization of the state sector, which was finally passed by the Sejm in late April with the support of the Suchocka government, will mean still sharper attacks on living conditions and workers organizations.

Meanwhile there is an increasing clamor for a “strong hand” at the helm. The start of criminal proceedings recently against former Stalinist president Januszewski and several generals involved in the December 1981 crackdown which spiked Solidarność power bid has signaled a renewed anti-Communist furor. The fascistic Confederation for an Independent Poland (KPN) of Leczek Muczniński, which has placed its members on “internal alert” and is preparing blacklists for future purges, put forward its own candidate for prime minister immediately after the no-confidence vote. On May 18 an ultrarightist, anti-Walesa faction of the Mazowsze Region (Warsaw area) Solidarność leadership marched on the Belweder presidential palace calling for “God, Honor, Fatherland” and a purge to “cut the state from its Communist roots.” The demonstration was permeated with anti-Semitism and included a contingent of skinheads from the fascist NOP.

The same week, pro-Walesa Mazowsze Solidarność head Maciej Jankowski called for a “general strike” around a series of economic demands capped by the bonapartist call for a “crisis goven­ment above parties.” The Warsaw area WPZZ supported the strike call with a cover of “common economic demands,” but the central OPZZ leadership distanced themselves from what they called a “family” conflict. In the upshot, the strike call was widely ignored, even by the bulk of workers in Jankowski’s own base at the Luczynski steelworks. The strike was called off after Walesa warned against “playing with fire” in a private meeting with Jankowski, while insisting afterward that he would not allow the parliament to “meddle with the operation of the government.” Walesa, this would-be Pilsudski, has barely disguised his bonapartist ambitions, repeatedly threatening to dissolve parliament and appoint a “government of experts.” Now he is carrying out step one of his plans.

Walesa is justifiably cautious about wanting to mobilize the working class behind a bonapartist power bid. The new capitalist regime is brittle, and Walesa enjoys even less popularity than Suchocka. An upsurge of proletarian struggle could easily sweep away the entire ramshackle capitalist state apparatus. In Poland, as nowhere else in East Europe and the ex-USSR, a revolutionary struggle for proletarian power on the basis of authentic soviet democracy is a palpable possibility. Yet the SDRP and OPZZ misleaders, having taken their bankrupt politics to their logical conclu­sion by handing the bureaucratically driven workers’ movement to Walesa & Co., today strive for nothing more than to be loyal labor lieutenants of capitalism. The SDRP conference in March enthusiasti­cally welcomed Walesa’s greetings, while today they wish him “to be suc­cessful” in not letting “Poland burns” (Trybuna, 22-23 May).

The treachery of the SDRP and OPZZ bureaucrats provide a warning to other small state apparatus like the KPN, Fighting Solidarity and Solidarność 80—led by anti-Semitic nationalist Marian Jurczyk—who employ economic militancy to promote a vicious chauvinist program. Meanwhile, various self-styled “revolu­tionary” and “ Trotskyist” groups who backed Solidarność initial counter-revolu­tionary power bid to the hilt tail behind reactionary outfits like Solidarność 80. The Cliffite Socialist Solidarność, the Dalej! group (followers of Ernest Mandel) and the Morenetized connected “Initiative Group for a Work­ers Party” all mingled shamelessly with the ultrareactionary protestors on May 18. The Mandelaists even had a leaflet for this anti-Communist demonstration.

The Polish proletariat is well-placed to play a leading role in reversing the counterrevolutionary tide which has immiserated the East European workers. To do so, it must reclaim its history of revolution, internationalist struggle—from the days of the tsarist empire to the anti-bureaucratic uprisings of 1956, 1970 and 1976. We Spartacists uniquely called in 1981 to “Stop Sol­darność Counterrevolution!” Today the Spartakusowa Grupa Polska is fighting to build a party like the Bolshevik party of Lenin and Trotsky: “a tribunal of the people” which recognizes the intrinsic link between the workers’ economic conditions and the defense of women, Jews, Roma, gays, and all the oppressed. For socialist revolution to sweep away Walesa and all the new exploiters!”

Walesa/IMF Austerity Regime in Turmoil

Strike Sweep Poland

Polish miners struck for three weeks last December. Strike wave brought down the government last week.
ADL's Massive Spy Operation

SAN FRANCISCO—The unfolding revelations of its secret ties to various political police agencies have exposed the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith (ADL) as spies for some of the deadliest regimes on the planet. Last October, an SF cop and former CIA agent Tom Gerard abruptly fled the country after the FBI questioned him. According to his buddy, local "art dealer" Roy Bullock, the two had been selling information on anti-apartheid activists to South African agents to the tune of some $18,000. But when the story hit the newspapers in January, it came out that for decades, Bullock has been a paid spy for the ADL, an organization allegedly devoted to fighting anti-Semitism (see "ADL Connection to CIA/FBI Exposed," NY, No. 570, 26 February).

In April, after months of delay, the San Francisco district attorney finally released a 700-page mass of documents seized in December raids of Gerard and Bullock's premises and ADL offices in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Even the D.A.'s carefully selected revelations have blown the cover off the ADL's extensive network of agents (paid and unpaid) working closely with local police, the FBI and the BATF (Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms) of Waco infamy. The documents reveal a surveillance operation worthy of a medium-size imperialist intelligence service. Bullock and the ADL had accumulated some 12,000 dossiers, targeting more than 950 organizations. The files were broken down into five categories: "Skins," "Right," "Pinkos," "Aribs," and "AN." Despite the ADL's carefully groomed public image of fighting right-wing extremists, fellow travelers like the KKK and Nazis are minor players in the ADL spy files. Fully a quarter of the files are devoted to the "anti-apartheid movement." Others among the 12,000 include Los Angeles Times Johannesburg correspondent Scott Kraft, former Republican Congressman Pete McCloskey and political scientist Yigal Arens, the liberal Zionist who was the former Israeli war minister.

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The ADL's "fact finders" would go after leftists, Palestinian rights activists, and anyone else they perceive to be an enemy of the Israeli Zionist state, not news. But as the "ANC" category makes clear, the Zionists' spooks also assisted as groups opposed to U.S.-backed military dictatorships in Central America. Bullock spied on South African Communist Party leader Chris Hani—recently gunned down by a fascist fanatic—when Hani visited the Bay Area in 1991. He also habitually searched the trash of the Christian Institute, a liberal group with a record of exposing U.S. support to Central American death squads and the Iran/Contra scandal.

The ADL and its allies are seeking to control the damage by getting official investigations squelched. Unaccustomed to being under the spotlight itself, the ADL has deluged op-ed pages and letters columns with a wave of defensive non-denial denials. Typical is a New York Times (28 May) piece by ADL national director Abraham Foxman headlining "It's a Big Lie, Hailed by Anti-Semites." The pro-Israel Times so blatantly blacked out the story for months that even the Washington Post tweaked it for another. Report by Foxman in the Village Voice (18 May) pleaded that the ADL's "fact finders" are "directly analogous to investigative journalists" and swore that "ADL's primary concern is still the far right." Let's see.

The vast scope of this spy network is detailed in an extensive article by Robert Friedman in the Village Voice (11 May). Bullock is a fanatical anti-Communist whose career choice was inspired by reading I Led Three Lives, the epilogue of Cold War trash propaganda. In 1957, three years before going on the ADL's payroll, he decided to go off to Moscow to do a report for the FBI on the World Youth and Student Festival. His sidekick Gerard left the SFPD for three years to work for the CIA as a "demolitions expert" in El Salvador. The FBI, another of Gerard's former employers, is investigating him for possession of a secret CIA document found in a briefcase he had left behind before escaping to a remote Philippine hideout last October. The briefcase also included passports made out to Gerard under ten different names, a CIA "Interrogation Training" manual and grisly mementos of the death squads, like a black cloth hood and photos of chained and blinded men. Gerard was arrested at the SF airport as soon as he returned to the country on May 6. He now threatens to "blow the whistle" on "illegal CIA support of Central American death squads if he is indicted and tried for his suspected role in the ADL spy scandal (Los Angeles Times, 27 April).

Bullock has his counterparts in a number of other American cities, including New York, Atlanta and St. Louis. The Chicago ADL office runs at least three undercover informants who, Friedman reports, not only monitor the large Arab community in the Midwest, but even videotape Palestinian funerals to identify those who attend. In Washington they have one Mir Bolaand, who graduated to the ADL after a 14-month stint in the CIA. L.A.'s "fact finder" David Garvitz told the FBI that ADL files were filled with info on anti-apartheid groups—going back to the late '70s—when he signed on in 1989.

At the pinnacle of this massive spy operation is ADL chief "fact finder" Irwin Suall, whose department, writes Friedman, has become the "heart and soul" of the ADL. Friedman's description of him as a "repentant Trotskyite" to the contrary (Suall, today a diancar, "necob," got his start as national secretary of the State Department Socialist Party of America). The muckrakers Dennis King and Chip Berlet recall conversations with Suall some years ago about the threat of "homosexuals" and a pervasive "danger to American Jews" was the American left—especially black leftists—backed by the Soviet Union. He argued that right-wing extremists, even those with high-level connections, were insignificant by comparison (New York Times, 28 May). What the ADL means by "black leftists" can be gauged from the fact that Martin Luther King was also one of their targets.

In a transparent apologia for the ADL, in the Wall Street Journal, professional anti-Communist Stephen Schwartz claims that the ADL is simply "keeping files." But these files do not merely gather dust in musty archives. The ADL admits to sharing information with the FBI and other police agencies. Take the case of the L.A. Eight—seven...
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In 1978, South African prime minister Vorster visited Israel, after a trip to Pretoria by Israeli "Labor" party leader Shimon Peres, to sign an extensive array of military and "counterterrorism" agreements. But in 1980, the tiny Zionist garrison state was the world's seventh largest arms exporter, and the South African arms industry was a prime customer. Estimates of annual arms sales to Pretoria in the mid-'80s range as high as a billion dollars. Bank Leumi, owned by the World Zionist Organization, had extensive investments in the arms industry while in an insidious piece in the Atlanta Journal and Constitution (29 January 1989) to iniminate that rather than stepping the Korean SLA, the ADL was launching another agenda.. An internal memorand
Stop Attacks on Foreign Workers in Japan!

TOKYO—Foreign laborers, especially Iranians, are in the Japanese government's cross hairs as the current recession has rendered the more than 250,000 estimated undocumented workers expendable targets for government and reaction. On April 28, the Tokyo police quarantined the section of Yoyogi Park used by Iranians as a social center for more than three years. The cops expanded their Sunday patrols and carded off 102 foreign workers for arrest on May 9.

The government crackdown and media scapegoating of "illegal" immigrants (the Japan Times, for example, described Yoyogi Park as a gathering place for Iranians, "many of whom are suspected of being illegal laborers in Japan or of dealing in marijuana, opium and counterfeit telephone cards") has encouraged fascists to spew their racist poison. In the Nakano area, home to many foreigners living in Japan, a xenophobic right-wing flyer was postered on Sunday patrols and carted off by the economic downturn, in which the organized working class is taking a beating. The government has dispatched the military twice to Cambodia and now to Mozambique. The death penalty is being carried out again and, after a 20-year legal battle, the Education Ministry has won its fight to eliminate critical references to Japan's militaristicperialist history from school textbooks. Now all media eyes are focused on the upcoming royal wedding, featuring an educated woman (a former student of Harvard boy Jeffrey Sachs, architect of "shock treatment" starvation policies from Bolivia to Poland and Russia) giving up her high-level career to become a devoted imperial wife.

Most Marxist leftists and the labor movement have criminally ignored the responsibility to defend immigrant labor, some of whom are shamed racist victimization. A small section of the Zenzokyo labor federation, led by the left-wing social democratic Shunto, has held a meeting to publicize the issue, but their policy is to organize foreign workers into token separate unions, which will be incapable of defending their members while mirroring their segregation from the big battalions of labor in basic industry.

The parochialism and outright chauvinism of most of the left (which in the interests of tailing the sellout labor bureaucrats also ignores the desperate needs of other socially oppressed strata of the working people, like women workers and minorities born in Japan) renders them incapable of fighting for integrated industrial unions, full citizenship rights for foreign laborers, and labor/morality mobilizations to defend the oppressed. Even some liberal groups, like the young activists of Inoken, have taken a more "leftist" path. This includes, for example, several of the contributions made by foreign workers to this society. May Day is our holiday and a militant, working class demonstration. For Labor/Minority Mobilizations to Defend Foreign Workers!

Stop the Harassment of Foreign Workers! No Deportations! For Labor/Minority Mobilizations to Defend Foreign Workers!

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We reprint here a call issued by the Harvard Spartacus Youth Club for united-front protests against Attorney General Janet Reno and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin Powell, at Harvard University. As we go to press the demonstrations have been endorsed by: Bill Andriette, editor, NAMBLA Bulletin; Linda C. Bowman, member, Joint Exec. Board, SEIU Local 509*; Communist Party (Rhode Island, Central Massachusetts chapters); The Lucy Parsons Center; James H. Neil, Assistant Chief Shop Steward for Harvard Dining Services workers, Local 26, HERE*; Partisan Defense Committee; People in Solidarity with the Caribbean and Central America (Worcester, MA); Rafael Pereira, Associate Professor, Roxbury Community College*; Spartacist League, Young Communist League (Rhode Island). [*Organizational affiliation for identification purposes only.]

For Harvard’s upcoming commencement of law students and the Class of ’93, the administration is showcasing two of the bloodiest recipients of official crimson acclaim in recent memory. On June 9th, Clinton’s new attorney general Janet Reno will be the Harvard Law School’s commencement speaker, exactly 50 days since she ordered the assault on the Waco religious sect causing the bloody massacre of 86 innocent people, including 25 children. This grotesque F.B.I. assault against the Branch Davidians was carried out, as the government put it, for “exposing doctrines hostile to law enforcement.” The next day, Harvard will be giving an honorary degree to Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Colin Powell, who directed the slaughter of over 100,000 Iraqis during the Gulf War and was the architect of the U.S. invasion of Panama that left thousands of Panamanians in mass graves. Reno and Powell on campus should be met with protest from students and all decent people on June 9th and 10th!

By bringing two fresh-from-the-kill government officials to America’s premier finishing school for the ruling class, Harvard faithfully pushes for public approval of Clinton’s new “Politically Correct” administration. Janet Reno has “proved her bones” to the powers that be that she is just as capable as any man in carrying out cold-blooded murder of children in Waco. And Colin Powell has earned his medals for “Operation Desert Slaughter,” as he carries out the Pentagon’s racist subjugation of people across the globe, especially Africans, Asians and Latin Americans.

Widespread anger has erupted on campus over Colin Powell’s opposition to overturning the military’s long-standing ban on gays. As Marxists, we oppose anti-gay bigotry in all spheres of life, including the military. However, many supporters of gay rights are eagerly enlisting in the cause of imperialist militarism, which is a threat to all of the oppressed, especially now with the U.S. racist “white man’s burden” intervention in Somalia and as Clinton gears up for terror-bombing in the Balkans.

The Spartacus Youth Club urgently calls on all organizations and individuals to join together in a united-front picket line protest against Janet Reno on June 9th, 2:00 p.m. at Austin Hall, and Colin Powell on June 10th, 1:00 p.m. at Holyoke Center, under the following slogans:

- Protest Janet Reno—U.S. Government’s Top Cop, Guilty of Mass Murder in Waco!
- Protest War Criminal Colin Powell! Down with the Racist U.S. War Machine! End the Ban on Gays!

All organizations and individuals that endorse these slogans are encouraged to bring their own signs, banners, literature and have their own speaker. If you want to join and help build this protest, contact the Spartacus Youth Club (SYC) at (617) 492-3928.

Defend Abortion Clinics Against “Operation Rescue” Terrorists!

SAN FRANCISCO—the “right to life” terrorists of the sinister “Operation Rescue” promise a long, hot summer of harassment and violence against women seeking abortions and the doctors and clinic staffs that provide them. O.R.’s “abortion buster” manual reportedly instructs their hit squads: “think of your self as a guerrilla warrior who strikes in the back and retreats.” It was in just such a cowardly attack that Dr. David Gunn was gunned down in Pensacola, Florida. Emboldened by that cold-blooded murder, Operation Rescue now threatens to blockade abortion clinics around the country from July 9 through July 19.

In a wann-up for their summer siege, Operation Rescue converged on San Jose on May 22, hoisted by right-to-life bigot Rev. Keith Tsuji, who says, “Do you know the way to San Jose?” should be the message of pro-lifers in California this summer. "Hit the road, Jack and don’t you come back" was the message delivered by a youthful crowd of some 100 abortion clinic defenders who traveled to San Jose to counter O.R.

Hundreds of women and men need to be mobilized—from the campuses to the communities to powerful contingents from the union movement—to defend abortion clinics from the god squad hit squads. But bourgeois feminist organizations like the National Organization for Women (NOW) are satisfied that their agenda has been achieved with the election of Bill and Hillary Clinton, and they’re not about to endanger their entire safe haven by coming out in defense of the clinics this summer. What “abortion rights” means for the Democrats and their feminist toadies is limited to them that’s rich enough to afford it and old enough not to be oppressed by parental consent “squelch rules.”

Addressing the clinic defenders in San Jose, Spartacus Youth Club member Skye White said:

“Does feminism mean ‘women's liberation?’ No way! Bourgeois feminists only want the right to abortion for their class because they want an equal right to run capitalism. This does not include liberation for women at the bottom—they intend to exploit these women. Women’s oppression is deeply rooted in class-divided society. Only a multiracial Leninist vanguard party can overthrow this deeply racist and sexist system.”

Defend the clinics! Take a stand! Free abortion on demand!
Worker/Immigrant Mobilization to Smash Fourth Reich Terror!

The following leaflet was issued by our comrades of the Spartakist Workers Party of Germany on March 29 for an emergency protest in Berlin on the day that Nazis murdered five Turkish women and other immigrants.

Immediately after the Christian Democratic Party of Germany (CDU/CSU) won the federal election last year, the "pillars of the community" in Bonn instigated the Nazi firebombers.

After Mönlin there were discussions in the factories about self-defense. Now we must mobilize the power that can stop the terror gangs.

Like the mass unemployment which breeds these murder bands, Nazis terrorize workers, trade unionists and anti-fascist youth in organizing the successful defense of an immigrant hostel in Berlin, it is now necessary to drive the fascists out of their rat holes in an organized and powerful way and mobilize the workers to beat back Bonn's decision on asylum. Outbreaks of impotence and despair lead to nothing. The hour has struck for organizing well-directed workers action against the fascist murder gangs.

We say Turks and other immigrants don't want us to defend our children from the reaction, German society won't defend us, we will do it ourselves.

We will end the political opposition of the workers to the capitalist government.

We will defend our children from the fascist terror bands.

We will defend our children from the racist megalomaniacs.

We call on all workers to fight against the fascist terror bands.

We call on all workers to fight for their own freedom.

We call on all workers to fight for the freedom of the world.

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When the Bonn parliament gutted the right of asylum last week, one of its main targets were the Roma and Sinti (Gypsies). One of the main routes for these refugees arriving in Germany fleeing persecution in East European countries where the re-establishment of capitalist rule has brought an explosion of nationalism. Almost daily there are charter flights from Berlin and Frankfurt transporting Roma deportees back to Romania. Meanwhile, a treaty has been signed in Moscow transferring Roma deportees back to Romania. On May 15 the Roma National Congress (plus a million D-marks) to celebrate the sellout of the strike by making a killing on the stock market. The IG Metall leader has since resigned, but the case of this leading union chief is symptomatic of the whole social-democratic “German model” of class collaboration. Today the “German model” of “co-participation” is a thing of the past, as the German capitalists go on the offensive in the post-Cold War world. No longer constrained by the attractions of a welfare state to compete with the Stalinist regimes of the East, they have laid off half a million workers since early 1992 and as from the next winter to stop the deportations of Roma and Sinti.

German Sparaktivists participate in occupation of a former concentration camp near Hamburg to protest deportations of Gypsies.

Semitism! Workers to power! The bourgeoisie of Auschwitz wants to once again make Germany “free of Roma.” In the late 50s, Johannes Schmutter, SPD prime minister of the state of Nordrhein-Westfalen, initiated a “pilot project” to build camps in Macedonia to which Roma and Sinti could be deported. The counterrevolution in the DDR (East Germany) and the destruction of the deformed workers states of East Europe gave frightful encouragement to racist and anti-Semitic terror. Now that German imperialism has pushed through the counterrevolution, Germans like Cohn-Bendit want to send the Bundeswehr to the former Yugoslavia to demonstrate the power of reunified Germany. And now they want to set up a whole new round of deportations of Roma and Sinti.

Roma refugees, overwhelmingly women and children, were “freed” (April 30th) of the Neuengamme concentration camp near Hamburg by the Nazi border guards in order to ‘defend’ the German border against Roma refugees, overwhelming the young and children! (Pamphlet of the Roma National Congress, May 3). The SpAD and the SGP demand: Down with the racist German-Polish treaty! Null citizenship for the entire Roma population. In Poland itself, clerical-nationalist Solidaroom has in power encouraged a pogrom against the Roma and Sinti. The workers movement has the task of fighting against strikebreakers, but also defending the Roma and Sinti against fascist attacks and police raids. The strike pickets must not only defend themselves against strikebreakers, but also defend the Roman and Sinti people from the attacks of fascist workers, movement, together with immigrant organizations, has the task of fighting against strikebreakers, but also defending the Roma and Sinti against fascist attacks and police raids.
capitalist parties. Today, fully one in seven people in the U.S. grow up speaking a language other than English, and 22 percent of California’s population in 1990 was foreign-born. In the Bay Area, there is a long-established large Asian community: the 1990 census revealed over a quarter of San Francisco’s population is from Asia and the Pacific Islands.

As the U.S. recession deepened in Cal­
ifornia last year, the state faced a bud­
get “crisis,” Republican governor Pete Wil­
son launched a vicious campaign to blame it on “welfare bums,” and the Demo­
crats led by Assembly Speaker Wil­
lie Brown made a deal for murderous cuts in social services. Now the new fiscal year is coming on July 1 and the “reces­
sion” has turned into a bottomless pit, as the official unemployment rate hovers
 near 10 percent. So Wilson is gearing up for Round Two: this time the target is “illegal immigrants,” who are por­
trayed as a “burden” on the state’s shrink­
ing treasury.

This is a call for official and unofficial racist terror against immigrant minori­
ties. The big media guns have taken the cue. On April 12 the state cut
 grants are to be excluded!

Many of the legislature’s proposed
 bills would try in one way or another to bar “illegal aliens” from attending public
 schools—one would require schools to act as cops by checking on the legal
 status of their students. Another bill calls for the National Guard to patrol the U.S.
 border and authorize them to arrest suspected “illegals.” Other bills would make it a felony to be an un­
documented immigrant, order a study to build a prison in Baja California (Mex­
ico) for undocumented immigrants, deny worker’s compensation benefits to un­
documented workers, require proof of citizenship or legal residence in order to apply for public housing or obtain a driv­
er’s license. The DMV recently started requiring that applicants for a driver’s license produce a valid Social Security card, a measure obviously directed at immigrants and an illegal abuse of the Social Security system.

Post Cold War Immigration Politics

Particularly in the post-World War II era, the American ruling class promoted the image of immigrants seeking “ref­
uge” in the “land of the free” as a prop­
aganda weapon in the anti-Soviet Cold War. This anti-Communist policy is also doing racist. Cubans who hijacked their own plane full of passen­
gers from Castro’s Cuba was welcomed and immediately resented in Miami, but black Haitians fleeing a U.S.-backed dic­
tatorship are jailed and deported by the boatload.

But with the collapse of the Soviet Union, the U.S. no longer needed to pro­
 mote the “refuge” propaganda anymore. (Of course, if you’re a Russian nuclear scientist, you’re still welcome.) Thus the INS policies on immigration are coming under fire because, as one former Department of Labor official put it, “the current administration is not prac­

Increasingly, immigrants are por­
trayed as “the enemy within.” More than half of those arrested in the multicultural protests that shook Los Angeles last year were Latinos. Even at the height of those upheavals, from the Bay Area to the Mexican border, the INS went on a binge of deportations. Thou­sands of immigrants were arrested and
 over 900 were deported from L.A. last spring, with no outcry from the inte­
grated labor movement—thus signaling open season on foreign-born workers and their families.

In doing out the few jobs in the moribund “rebuild L.A.” program, author­
orities played off blacks against Latinos. To intensify mass resentment against the “foreigners,” Governor Wilson has in­
 
vented a fictitious “imbalance” between “taxpayers” and “tax receivers.” But ref­
gee rights organizations point to the fact that undocumented workers and their families vastly underutilize public services that they are entitled to fear of coming to the attention of the hated migra and being deported. And of course, as the San Francisco Examiner (12 January) reported on its four-month investigation:

“The worst cases, they are beaten, raped, treated as indentured servants. More commonly they are made to work under conditions forbidden by law, for illegally low wages. Some people hire them, then refuse to pay them, knowing the workers cannot complain to authorities.”

The same Examiner series quoted studies showing that “the 11 million immigrants who work in America earn $240 billion a year, pay $90 billion in taxes, while taking only $5 billion in welfare.”

The official backlash campaign is spawning dangerous rightist organiza­
tions, such as the Federation for Ameri­
can Immigration Reform, which has over half its 60,000 national member­
ship in California. Their national direc­	or Dan Stein threatens that unless the immigration system changes, “we’re going to have a bloody battle.”

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working class against the capitalists. The millionaire-club Regents serve the class promoted by the anti-Chinese pogroms. Jack London, who was a “race” in the Socialist Party, was notorious for spewing “yellow peril” filth and pushing anti-Chinese propaganda. The U.S. imperialist aggression in Mexico and Central America has been supporting entry into the region of right-wing syndi­calists of the Industrial Workers of the World. It is to be expected Mexican and farm workers both south of the border, and tried to start the Mexican Revolution in Baja California. They were

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force arsenal in Pretoria (clearly an inside job), and the subsequent arrests of 16 Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) members by Defence Minister A.N. Cronje. The members included ex-MP Clive Derby-Lewis and his wife Gaye, the police claimed there was no evidence to support a widespread right-wing conspiracy behind the assassinations.

In fact, Derby-Lewis' links with worldwide fascist networks are legion: he is the president of "Western Goats," an anti-black movement which includes Franco, Salazar, Pinochet, Stroessner, Somoza, Chiang Kai-shek and the Shah of Iran. Derby-Lewis has also given loans to treason proceedings by the World Anti-Communist League, a leading arms supplier to anti-communist rebels in southern Africa, Afghanistan and Central America. Yet, in a society where the racists and their organizations, which have nearly all the firepower, the ANC's chief response to Hani's killing has been...a campaign for gun-control laws!

ANC Peacekeepers for Neo-Apartheid

In the days following Hani's murder, South African capitalism held its breath. The ANC has been demanding $200,000 for the funeral! Shell, BP and Caltex ran sanctimonious memorials in the liberal Weekly Mail, admonishing the ANC to "Let today's sorrow speed the path to peace." At this critical juncture, the main "peacekeepers" in the krugerrand and the Johannesburg stock exchange are the would-be joint-rulers of a "post-apartheid" capitalist South Africa, the ANC. Insisting that Hani's death must not jeopardize "power sharing" negotiations, the ANC is providing invaluable service to the apartheid state even as the police and their Inka cohorts shoot down demonstrators in the streets, and the Johannesburg Star reveals a "wily Wolf" (ANC's) plot targeting Winnie Mandela, SAPC chairman Joe Slovo and ANC Youth League president Peter Mokaba for assassination.

As negotiators were close to accord on a date for the first universal elections in a "new South Africa," on May 23 police rounded up scores of members of the Pan Africanist Congress, including its central leadership. Personal property was confiscated as well as files, computers, membership lists, financial documents, checks and accounts at all PAC offices throughout South Africa. ANC chief negotiator Cyril Ramaphosa said the crackdown "reminds one of the old apartheid days of Gestapo tactics, job-activity and wholesale detentions!"

But despite this ritualistic criticism, the ANC made clear the arrests would not halt the talks, particularly as Nelson Mandela has even earlier been on the "correct channels." The ANC/SACP/COSATU alliance, which seeks "unity" with South African capitalism, is an obstacle to the revolutionary mobilization of the workers and oppressed.

The ANC's symbiosis with the apartheid regime has enhanced the appeal of the PAC. Combined with the notoriety of their "one settler, one bullet" slogan, a call for individual terrorist action against whites, the arrests of the PAC leaders made them seem a more militant threat to the ANC. In reality, the PAC is no more revolutionary than the "respectable" ANC. The PAC's despicable
duty to win union recognition. The exploits of the second generation of immigrant workers' struggles in California and elsewhere are based on a 1986 immigrant workers' strike in Lodi, which inspired the May 1987 "80,000 building maintenance workers, started a defiant march. More recently, strikes have broken out among many from central Mexico, stood down Orange County sheriffs, the strikebreaking INS, the LAPD and the members of the Southern California home building industry put forward an internationalist opposition to NAFTA, including a perspective of cross-border proletarian struggle by the hundreds of thousands of Mexican workers in the U.S.-Mexico borderlands. Cesar Chavez and the rest of the northern Mexican maquiladora belt, who are now despised by such corporate giants as General Motors, General Electric, Matsushita and Sony.

A notable concession to the U.S. is the new right to work law in California, which is a key to building a revolutionary leadership that makes reality of the Communist Internationals slogan: "Workers of the world unite!!"
Workers Vanguard

California Anti-Immigrant Frenzy

SAN FRANCISCO, May 26—Shortly after midnight on May 23-24 the Honduran-flagged freighter Pai Sheng slipped under the Golden Gate Bridge and docked some 200 Chinese immigrants. But authorities had been tipped off, and as MPs, Park Police and other cops started mass arrests, the freighter was pursued by three Coast Guard cutters, two helicopters and a C-130 plane from McClellan Air Force Base. By noon the Pai Sheng's crew, threatened by the Coast Guard's guns, was off, and as miles out in international waters, was pursued.

Already they're crank up a modern-day "yellow peril" propaganda campaign to beef up the border cops and generate anti-Chinese hysteria, in the reactionary tradition of 19th century California. The papers are filled with stories like "International Operations Test U.S. Ability to Secure Coast" (San Francisco Examiner), and "U.S. Organizing to Repulse Smuggler Ship Invasion" (Chronicle). Now Clinton's National Security Council has assumed new dictatorial powers on immigration: according to the San Francisco Chronicle (28 May), one of their first actions was "to order INS districts not to release any smuggled people who are apprehended."

The much-hated Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) wants to deport all the Chinese immigrants immediately, without allowing them to be released on bond and organize their appeals. The poor immigrants reportedly had to make a down payment of $1,000 for the trip and promise to pay a total of $20,000 each, a debt which would put them into a planned economy. As for the Chinese immigrants being held by the INS, we say: They got here, let them stay here! Free the Chinese immigrants! (And release the ship and crew, who were illegally seized in international waters by Coast Guard piracy.)

Immigrants Targeted as Scapegoats

The recent influx of Chinese is part of a dramatic increase in immigration over the last decade that has become a reactionary political football for the two

S.F. Demonstrators Demand: "Free the Chinese Immigrants!"

SAN FRANCISCO, May 28—Over 40 people answered the call of the Partisan Defense Committee and the Labor Black League for Social Defense, on short notice just before Memorial Day weekend, to demonstrate today outside the offices of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) in protest over the mass arrest and detention of some 200 Chinese immigrants who landed under the Golden Gate Bridge last Monday. The immigrants are being barred from release on bond as part of the INS policy of deporting such immigrants before they can obtain a hearing. The PDC press release demanded: "Free the Chinese immigrants—Down with the racist INS deportations!" and "Free the Chinese immigrants—Down with the racist INS deportations!"

"The racist hypocrisy of the U.S. government is boundless," said Hursey Bush of the Labor Black League. "Anti-Communist Cuban plane hijackers and a variety of death-squad killers are welcomed into the country with open arms, but not black Haitians, Latino or Chinese workers." Demonstrators from the LBL, PDC, Spartacist League and Spartacus Youth Club carried signs such as: "Free Haitians at Guantanamo! Guantanamo Belongs to Cuba!" "Down with Union-Busting Deportations!" "Down with Anti-Asian Bigotry!" and "Holocaust in Waco—Clinton and FBI Are Mass Murderers!" The Spartacus Youth Club spokesman Brad Daniels linked the struggle of immigrants to campus struggles against budget cuts: "The fight for justice in education is the fight of the continued on page 10